## Human Rights Commission City of Northampton 212 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060 (413) 587-1249

## Wednesday, March 16, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom online

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## Agenda

- Public comment
- Approval of Feb 2022 minutes
- Housing as a Human Right 2022 programs
- Select Committee to Study Barriers to Service on City Boards and Commissions
- Building Community Alternatives to Police Response (American Friends Service Committee)
- Change in meeting format (remote/hybrid/in person)
- HRC membership news
- New business
- Adjourn

The NHRC invites members of the public to its meetings. We set aside time at the beginning of each meeting for the public to address us, and we appreciate the thoughts and feedback we receive from the community. Because of our obligations under the Open Meetings Law, the work of the Commission can only be done when we are together in our public meetings. For this reason, we cannot respond to the public comments we receive in real time, and we must limit the public comment to a defined time on our meeting agenda. We also welcome feedback via email, HRC@northamptonma.gov

The Human Rights Commission shall act to promote human rights in the city of Northampton. The Commission shall advocate and be an information resource for the rights guaranteed by law on the basis of race or color, gender, physical or mental ability, religion, socioeconomic status, ethnic or national origin, sexual identification or orientation or age for all persons in Northampton.

The mayor or City Council may refer issues pertaining to human rights to the commission for review and recommendation. The commission may organize programs and events to educate about human rights.

